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**Sent:** Tue 8/11/2015 2:34:06 AM  
**Subject:** RE: FW: CNN request

Thanks! No need for an immediate response – if we could get some info tomorrow that would be great.

Thanks again

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**From:** Trubee - CDPHE, Meghan [mailto:[meghan.trubee@state.co.us](mailto:meghan.trubee@state.co.us)]  
**Sent:** Monday, August 10, 2015 8:31 PM  
**To:** Bahrman, Sarah  
**Cc:** Mark Salley - CDPHE; Patrick Pfaltzgraff - CDPHE  
**Subject:** Re: FW: CNN request

Hi Sarah,

To answer the question regarding water used for irrigation, we need to pull in the Department of Natural Resources who oversees water rights. Their public information officer is Todd Hartman. I forwarded your email with a request for immediate response. Since it is after regular business hours I am not sure how quickly we'll receive something.

Thanks,

Meghan

On Mon, Aug 10, 2015 at 8:12 PM, Bahrman, Sarah <[Bahrman.Sarah@epa.gov](mailto:Bahrman.Sarah@epa.gov)> wrote:

Great – thanks, Jennifer! That will cover it if we can get an estimate on the ag use piece.

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**Subject:** Re: FW: CNN request

Hi, Sarah-

The populations that we have in SDWIS for Durango and Glacier Club are 23,069 and 525, respectively - so the numbers you had are fine.

There are coordination efforts to obtain information regarding ag use, but I am not sure who is point on that. I am copying our communication people as well as several other people from CDPHE who are involved on this so that they can respond with information as necessary.

Let me know if you need anything else. Thanks,

**Jennifer Townsend Robinett, P.E.**

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On Mon, Aug 10, 2015 at 7:42 PM, Bahrman, Sarah <[Bahrman.Sarah@epa.gov](mailto:Bahrman.Sarah@epa.gov)> wrote:

Hi all –

See below for a question from CNN. I pulled the following estimates from SDWIS/Fed for Drinking Water Populations – can you please verify?

Durango – approx. 23,000 people

Glacier Club – approx. 525 people

And any idea on the ag use question? Do you have a contact elsewhere that might be able to help?\

Thanks!

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**To:** Gray, David; Faulk, Libby  
**Subject:** Fw: urgent CNN on deadline request

re-sending this to include Libby and to add another question: how many people use water from the Animas River for drinking water, and to what extent is water from this river used to irrigate crops? I asked folks from the La Plata County emergency preparedness dept and they referred me to the EPA. Many thanks. My deadline is very soon - please respond ASAP. I appreciate it.

**Elizabeth Cohen, MPH**  
**CNN Senior Medical Correspondent**

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**From:** Cohen, Elizabeth  
**Sent:** Monday, August 10, 2015 1:49 PM  
**To:** Gray, David  
**Subject:** urgent CNN on deadline request

Dear David,

Hello! Thank you for your voicemail. I'd love to take you up on your offer to speak with your toxicologist. After reading the results on the EPA's website, the toxicologists I've spoken with are concerned about high levels of several metals, including arsenic, cadmium, and lead. I made a PDF out of the findings and attached it on this email - I've highlighted the ones the experts are concerned about. I'm on deadline and need to speak with your expert ASAP.

Many thanks.

Elizabeth

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